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SUBJECT: SWISS PLANS TO RATIFY THE NPT

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1. GOS HOPES TO COMPLETE NPT RATIFICATION PROCESS BY MAY 5, 1975 HIT EARLY SNAG WHEN UPPER HOUSE COMMITTEE THIS WEEK POSTPONED ANY FURTHER DELIBERATIONS UNTIL AFTER WINTER SESSION. PRACTICAL EFFECT OF DELAY IS TO MAKE RATIFICATION VIRTUALLY IMPOSSIBLE BY TIME NPT REVIEW CONFERENCE CONVENES.

2. IT NOW APPEARS THAT SUDDEN SWISS DECISION TO RATIFY NPT WAS PROMPTED BY FEAR IT WOULD NOT GET SOME SPECIAL EQUIPMENT ORDERED FROM (UNNAMED) GERMAN FIRM FOR THE NEW GOESGEN-DAENIKEN NUCLEAR POWER STATION IN
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CANTON SOLOTHURN. PRESS REPORTED THAT THE GERMAN

SUPPLIER REFUSED TO PROVIDE THE EQUIPMENT UNLESS GOS
RATIFIED THE NPT. IN COMMITTEE HEARINGS, AUTHORITIES
FROM GOESGEN TESTIFIED THAT CONTRARY TO WHAT PARLIAMENT
HAS BEEN LED TO BELIEVE, GERMAN EQUIPMENT HAD ALREADY
BEEN DELIVERED. COMMITTEE ACCORDINGLY DECIDED THAT THERE
WAS NOT AS GREAT HURRY TO RATIFY AS FEDERAL COUNCIL HAD
MADE OUT. IT REQUESTED REPORT FROM GOS OUTLINING
CONSEQUENCES FOR SWISS ACCESS TO NUCLEAR FUEL SUPPLY
AND NUCLEAR EQUIPMENT IN EVENT RATIFICATION OR NON-
RATIFICATION OF TREATY. REPORT IS DUE AFTER PARLIAMENT'S
WINTER SESSION ENDS.

3. FPD HAS BEEN EMBARRASSED AND PUT ON DEFENSEIVE AS
RESULT THIS INITIAL LEGISLATIVE CONSIDERATION OF THE
TREATY.
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